GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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HARAPPAN ARTEFACTS IN NARELA
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether human skeletons belonging to the Harappan period and other prehistoric artefacts were found during an excavation at Bhorgarh in the Narela area under Delhi Government about ten years ago; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to preserve the site?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) Yes, Sir. Two human skeletons of the late Harappan period with three earthern pots associated with one of them have been found at Bhorgarh during the excavation undertaken in the years 1992-93 and 1993-94 by the Department of Archaeology, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.

(b) The excavated squares along with the exposed structures and the skeletons have been buried back carefully with all due precautions. Now, the concerned department has approached the National Museum to provide expertise for retrieving and preserving the skeletons so as to display those in the National Museum, New Delhi or in the Department of Archaeology Museum of the Government of NCT of Delhi.